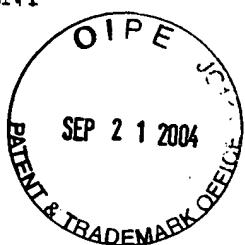


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In re: Bentley *et al.* Confirmation No.: 4382
 Appl No.: 10/813,601 Group Art Unit: 1711
 Filed: March 30, 2004 Examiner: To Be Assigned
 For: Sterically Hindered Poly(Ethylene Glycol) Alcanoic Acids and Derivatives
 Thereof



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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of one month to respond to the Office Action dated June 21, 2004.
2. Applicant is a small entity; other than a small entity.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

Total Months Requested	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity
one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
two months	\$420.00	\$210.00
three months	\$950.00	\$475.00
four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00
five months*	\$2,010.00	\$1,005.00

*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.

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